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1. This Office has reviewed the staff study on the above subject and concurs in the specific remedial steps recommended in Paragraph B, page 12.

2. In implementation of the proposed source control measures, it is recommended that consideration be given the following:

- a. Use of the evaluation form as the medium for commenting on suspect material. It is suggested that the various Office regulations and/or instructions governing the use of evaluation forms cover this phase of the evaluating process.
- b. Wide dissemination, to all analysts, of the substance of this staff study. Security considerations may preclude dissemination of the study in its present form. However, it is strongly recommended that a "sanitized" version (with hypothetical examples, if necessary) be published.
- c. Identification of all documents which contain suspect information (perhaps by means of a red stamp, "Suspect Material" prominently displayed on the face of the document). This would facilitate and encourage evaluation and support for investigation of suspect sources.
- d. With respect to Paragraph B,4, page 12, we wish to stress the desirability of making directly available to analysts the special files of suspect information. The use of intermediate channels should be avoided.

3. In any program of the type under consideration there is an ever present danger of retarding the collection and dissemination machinery. Every effort should be made to avoid having reports held in the field pending determination of the credibility of information. We feel that this is particularly desirable with respect to economic and technical information, which appears to be less susceptible to fabrication than is information in other fields.

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